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CHANGES

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1. REFTEL REPORTS UNOFFICIAL SELECTION OF OKURA AND
SAGAMI TO POSTS OF MOF ADMINISTRATIVE VICE MINISTER AND
VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, RESPECTIVELY.
AMONG OTHER UNOFFICIAL DECISIONS REPORTEDLY MADE AT MOF ARE
THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN KEY OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS IN THE
MINISTRY. ACCORDING TO THESE REPORTS, DAN, PRESENTLY
INTERNATIONAL FINANCE BUR DIRECTOR GENERAL, WILL RETIRE
AND BE SUCCEDED BY TOMOO MIYAZAKI, CURRENTLY, THE
BUREAU'S DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL. TERUO HIRAO, CURRENTLY
INTERNATIONAL FINANCE BUREAU COUNCILLOR, WILL REPORTEDLY
BE PROMOTED TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCE BUREAU DEPUTY DIRECTOR
GENERAL, SUCCEEDING MIYAZAKI, WHILE TOMOMITSU OBA WILL
FILL HIRAO'S FORMER POSITION AS INTERNATIONAL FIN BUR
COUNCILLOR. OBA IS NOW SERVING AS COUNCILLOR IN THE
MINISTER'S SECRETARIAT. SO FAR THERE HAVE BEEN NO
REPORTS ON POSSIBLE SHIFT OF KAKIMIZU, CURRENTLY OTHER
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INTERNATIONAL FIN BUR COUNCILLOR. REPORTS ALSO INDICATE
ARITOSHI SOEJIMA WILL SUCCEED IWAO TOTSUKA AS
CUSTOMS AND TARIFF BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL. SOEJIMA IS AT
THE MOMENT FINANCIAL BUREAU DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL.
FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THESE SELECTIONS IS EXPECTED
SHORTLY AFTER THE DIET IS ADJOURNED ON JUNE 16. COMMENT:
FOREGOING UNOFFICIAL REPORTS ARE USUALLY CORRECT BUT WILL

BE CONFIRMED WHEN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE.
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